

REMARKS

As an initial matter, Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the courtesies extended by Examiner Lund during the telephonic interviews held with Applicants' representative on June 18, 2007 and June 20, 2007.

By this amendment, independent claims 1 and 21 have been further amended to more clearly recite that which Applicants regard as their invention. Claims 9 and 13-19 stand withdrawn from consideration and claims 4 and 6 were previously canceled. Claims 1-3, 5, 7, 8, 10-12 and 20-23 are presented for further examination.

Further to the discussions held with the Examiner, the indefiniteness rejection of claims 1-3, 5, 7, 8, 10-12 and 21-23 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, is believed overcome by the foregoing amendments. No further changes are believed necessary.

In view of the foregoing, the application is respectfully submitted to be in condition for allowance, and prompt favorable action thereon is earnestly solicited.

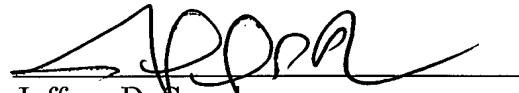
If there are any questions regarding this amendment or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned at (202) 624-2995 would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

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If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #101246.52582US).

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